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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EGEN, PGOV, PO  
SUBJ: STATE SECRETARY FOR PLANNING OFFERS RESIGNATION

1. PLANNING STATE SECRETARY MANUELA DA SILVA PUBLICLY  
CONFIRMED ON SEPTEMBER 6 THAT SHE HAS OFFERED HER  
RESIGNATION TO PRIME MINISTER SOARES, WHO HAS YET TO ACT ON  
THE REQUEST. WHILE NOT DETAILING REASONS FOR HER ACTION, SHE  
CONCEDED THAT IT WAS RELATED TO HER GENERAL DISAGREEMENT  
WITH GOP ECONOMIC POLICIES.

2. COMMENT: A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC LEFT AND  
CLOSE COLLABORATOR OF PLANNING MINISTER SOUSA GOMES, SHE  
HAS BEEN BOTH UNINFORMED AND UNHELPFUL RE USG ASSISTANCE  
ACTIVITIES HERE.

DA SILVA'S RESIGNATION WAS A FOREGONE CONCLUSION AFTER THE  
GOVERNMENT AGREED TO SHELVE HER DRAFT OF THE MEDIUM  
TERM ECONOMIC PLAN AS PART OF THE DEAL WITH THE SOCIAL  
DEMOCRATS TO PUSH KEY ECONOMIC LEGISLATION THROUGH THE  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. EXTENSIVE REVISIONS IN THE PLAN  
ARE EXPECTED WHEN IT IS CONSIDERED BY THE ASSEMBLY  
IN OCTOBER. DA SILVA'S DEPARTURE WILL AFFORD THE PRIME  
MINISTER AN OPPORTUNITY TO INJECT A MUCH-NEEDED ELEMENT  
OF REALISM INTO THE PLANNING MINISTRY.

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